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GDR PLANTS CITED FOR EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE
IN SECOND QUARTER 1952 INDUSTRIAL COMPETITION

[Summary: The following list of enterprises, commended for
 their outstanding performance in the industrial competition for
 the second quarter 1952, contains data on production, work methods,
 and activist training.]

A. Metallurgy and Ore Mining

VEB (People-Owned Enterprise) Zinnerz Altenberg (Altenberg Tin Ore),
Altenberg Erzgebirge

1. Nonferrous Metals Industry

VEB Metallochemie- und Walzwerk Merseburg (Merseburg Metal-Smelting and
Rolling Mill)

Production workers at this plant are organized in brigades.

2. Iron and Steel Industry

VEB Stahl- und Walzwerk Riesa (Riesa Steel and Rolling Mill)

The large-scale introduction of new work methods, such as gang weld-
 ing, speed drilling, and locomotive maintenance according to the Lunin
 method, resulted in greater output.

B. Coal and Electric Power

Steinkohlenverwaltung Zwickau, Karl Marx Werk (Zwickau Black-Coal Adminis-
tration, Karl Marx Plant)

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1. Brown-Coal Mining

SAG (Soviet Corporation) Kombinat Espenhain (Espenhain Combine)

A substantial increase in production and a reduction in production costs were achieved by the introduction of new work methods, such as the Kovalev method, speed drilling, the "100,000 Movement," personal records (kept for work materials), and personal maintenance of machines.

2. Carbonization Plants and Cokeries

Braunkohlenwerk Zeitz, Schwelerei Groitzschen (Zeitz Brown-Coal Plant, Groitzschen Carbonization Plant)

A major point of emphasis in the competition was the improvement of the quality of the products. As a result of the outstanding efforts of the workers, activists, and technical personnel, the residual tar content of the coke was reduced from the quota figure of 0.12 percent to 0.08 percent.

3. Power Plants

VEB Kraftwerk "Karl Liebknecht" (Karl Liebknecht Power Plant) Bitterfeld

New work methods and the expert work performed by the employees contributed toward the saving of 16,571 tons of coal for the first half of 1952.

4. Power-Distribution Plants

VEB Energieverteilung Gotha (Gotha Power-Distribution Plant)

5. Gas Plants

VEB Gaswerk "Max Reimann" (Max Reimann Gas Works) [Location not given]

New methods and the savings in fuel and electric power were factors which contributed toward the high total savings, which included 1,634 tons of coal and 629 tons of coke.

6. Water Supply

VEB Versorgungsbetrieb Magdeburg (Magdeburg Supply Plant)C. Chemicals, Stones, and EarthsVEB Kaliwerk Stassfurt (Stassfurt Potash Plant)

1. Inorganic Chemicals

VEB Fahlberg-List, Magdeburg

The systematic introduction of new work methods was, to a great extent, responsible for the plant's outstanding performance. For example, in the roasting of pyrites it was possible to increase the charge from 120 to 160 kilograms per square meter of hearth area, which resulted in a 6-percent increase in output. This method was adopted by most of the other sulfuric acid plants.

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2. Organic Chemicals

VEB Kombinat Boehlen (Boehlen Combine), Boehlen bei Leipzig (near Leipzig)

3. Commercial Chemicals

VEB Haushalts-Chemie Wittenberg (Wittenberg Household Chemicals Plant)

The bleaching-clay residues from the production of paraffin, which formerly were not used, were extracted and found to contain 30 percent paraffin. In this way an additional 100 tons of paraffin were made available in the second quarter of 1952, and the existing paraffin bottleneck was overcome.

4. Glass Industry, Ceramics

VEB Farbenglaswerk Pirna (Pirna Colored-Glass Factory) Pirna/Elbe

The plant exceeded the plan quota considerably. As a result, requests were made for changes in the plant production quotas. The last changes in the production plan were proposed on 26 May 1952 and provided for the production of an additional 7,100 square meters of colored glass and 87,000 square meters of ordinary glass.

5. Refractory Materials

VEB Schamottewerk Colditz (Colditz Fire Clay Plant)

As a result of the exchange of experience with other plants, the Colditz Plant was able to improve the Duvanov firing method. This contributed toward plan fulfillment in some cases and exceeding the plan in others.

6. Construction Materials

VEB Kalk-, Zement- und Betonwerke Ruedersdorf (Ruedersdorf Lime, Cement, and Concrete Plant)

Good results were obtained in the plant's activist training program.

D. Machine-Building Industry

VEB Leipziger Eisen- und Stahlwerke GUS (Leipzig Iron and Steel Plant, belonging to the Federation of People-Owned Enterprises for Cast and Forged Products)

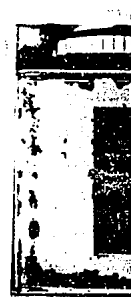
The slag-sand molding process and the filtered-ash molding process are used at the plant. At present, 164 workers are being trained in 44 activist schools to qualify for various technical operations, such as molding, speed drilling, and gear cutting.

1. General Machine Construction

VEB Hartmetallwerk Immelborn (Immelborn Hard Metals Plant)

Six activist training groups, in which 52 workers participated, aided considerably in increasing the production of magnets and hard metal.

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2. Vehicle Construction

VEB IFA Karosseriewerke Halle (Halle Automobile-Body Plant, belonging to the Federation of People-Owned Enterprises for Construction of Vehicles and Parts)

The plant succeeded in improving work quality, so that all its products were designated as first-grade quality.

3. Shipbuilding

VEB Elbwerft Boizenburg (Elbe Shipyard)

4. Precision Mechanics and Optics Industry

VEB Askania, Teltow

As a result of the plant's adoption of the Rossiyskiy method of inspection, 99 percent of the products were of first-grade quality.

5. Electrical Products

VEB Elektromotorenwerk Thurm (Thurm Electric Motor Plant), Thurm/Sachsen

The main reason for the plant's good performance, especially with regard to increase in work productivity and exceeding the plan for reduction of production costs, is that all production workers are organized in brigades and are being trained continuously.

E. Light Industry

VEB Lederfabrik Kirchhain (Kirchhain Leather Factory)

1. Textiles

VEB Mechanische Weberei Zittau (Zittau Mechanical Weaving Mill)

About 55 percent of the plant workers are using work methods of Soviet innovators. Plant workers are being trained in 104 activist training groups.

2. Clothing

VEB Bekleidungswerk Frankfurt (Frankfurt Clothing Factory), Frankfurt/Order

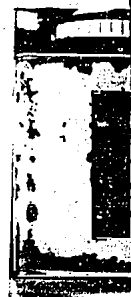
The quality of the plant's products was improved; 99.6 percent of the production was of first-grade quality, and 0.4 percent was of second-grade quality. It was possible for the plant to reduce the time required for production processes by 15 percent, on the average, through improvements in work organization and the use of progressive work methods.

3. Printing and Publishing

VEP Druckerei "Karl Liebknecht", (Karl Liebknecht Printing Plant), Gera

The plant's high output was achieved by specialization in the production of a few products.

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4. Paper, Cellulose, Synthetic Fibers

VEB Thuringisches Kunstfaserwerk "Wilhelm Pieck" ("Wilhelm Pieck" Thuringen Synthetic Fibers Factory), Schwarzsa

One of the main reasons that the plant exceeded its production plans is that almost all workers are using new work methods. Whereas 1,180 employees used new work methods during the first quarter of 1952, this number was increased to 3,607 employees in the second quarter of 1952.

5. Sawmill Industry

VEB Vereinigte Saegwerke Finsterwalde (Finsterwalde Federated Sawmills)

The products of this enterprise were of first-rate quality. The introduction of new work methods permitted an increase in the employment of women.

6. Woodworking Industry

VEB Eilenburger Qualitaetsmoebelfabrik (Eilenburg High-Quality Furniture Factory)

All products delivered were of first-grade quality.

F. Construction Industry

VEB Stahlbau Chemnitz (Chemnitz Steel-Construction Plant and
VEB Baumechanik Barleben (Barleben Construction Plant))

1. Special Construction

VEB Bergungsbetrieb Berlin (Berlin Salvage Plant, which belongs to Land Brandenburg Salvage Department)

2. Construction Unions

VEB Bau-Union Magdeburg (Magdeburg Construction Union)

G. Agriculture and Forestry

1. Agriculture

MAS Mieste (Mieste Machine Rental Station), Mieste/Kreis Gardelegen.

This station operates in accordance with the following work methods: The system of combining or coupling agricultural implements is used by 23.5 percent of all workers; 29.4 percent of the workers use the rapid-plowing method. Progressive work methods are used by 86.8 percent of the station's workers.

VEG Gransebieth (Gransebieth People-Owned Farm), Gransebieth/Kreis Grimmen

Almost all workers in this enterprise use new work methods in the field of animal husbandry. Activities of this enterprise include: breeding of cattle, pigs, and sheep; production of beef, pork, milk, eggs, and wool.

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2. Forestry

Staatlicher Forstwirtschaftsbetrieb Mirow (Mirow State-Owned Forestry Enterprise)

About 30 percent of the workers at this enterprise are using new work methods, such as colter-planting and hoe-planting (Hackpflanzung).

3. Vegetable Products

VEB Thueringer Oel-und Fettwerke (Thueringen Oil and Fats Plant), Gotha

As a result of the exchange of experience between activists and technical experts of various plants, the Gotha plant completely reorganized its work procedures and introduced new work methods. A large number of women were trained to become skilled workers.

H. Food and Beverage Industry

VEB Gero Dresden

1. Fisheries

VEB Fischkombinat Rostock (Rostock Fish Combine), Marienehe Production Department

I. Transportation Industry

Reichsbahnausbesserungswerk Berlin-Warschauer Strasse (Berlin-Warschauer Strasse Railroad Repair Yard)

1. Reichsbahn Division Areas

Reichsbahnamt Torgau (Torgau Reichsbahn Division)

It was possible to reduce operating costs by the systematic instruction of locomotive personnel and by the participation of workers in training courses, particularly in activist training groups.

2. Ship Repair and Transport Enterprises

VEB Schiffsreparaturwerft Laubegast (Laubegast Ship Repair Yard) Laubegast bei Dresden

Inspected sheet metal from salvaged boats and other equipment is used for repair work.

3. Motor Vehicle Transport and Repair Enterprises

Verkehrsbetrieb Erfurt (Erfurt Transport Enterprise)

4. Community Hauling and Repair Enterprises

VEB Verkehrsbetrieb der Stadt Leipzig (Leipzig Transport Enterprise)

J. Postal Service and Telecommunications

Bahnpostamt (Railroad Post Office) 7, Magdeburg

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1. Telecommunications

Fernmeldeamt Goerlitz (Goerlitz Telecommunication Station)

Substantial improvements in work organization and methods were achieved by intensive technical courses and activist schools.

2. Radio

Funkamt Koenigs Wusterhausen (Koenigs Wusterhausen Radio Station)

Because of better work organization, workers were available for the construction of the new Deutschlandsender (transmitter) and the Koenigs radio station.

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